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Fireworks are banned in Bay

No fireworks will be allowed in the city of Bay St. Louis. The reasons cited are that there is too much debris and there is a danger of damaging the many blue roofs in the city.

Mobile health clinic at HMC

A mobile health clinic on loan from Rotary Club of Modesto, CA is located at 100 Hancock Square near the Emergency Room of Hancock Medical Center. The unit is to serve uninsured and low-income Hancock County residents. Patients will be billed on their ability to pay, but no one will be turned away.

Free blankets still available

One thousand blankets have been donated to the residents of Hancock County with another 500 in transit by various charity organizations. If you live in Hancock County and need blankets, call Cardia Williams at 228-466-8215.

Red Cross helps with eyeglasses

If you or anyone you know lost their eyeglasses in the storm, vouchers are being issued by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter of the American Red Cross. Call 228-896-4511 for more information.

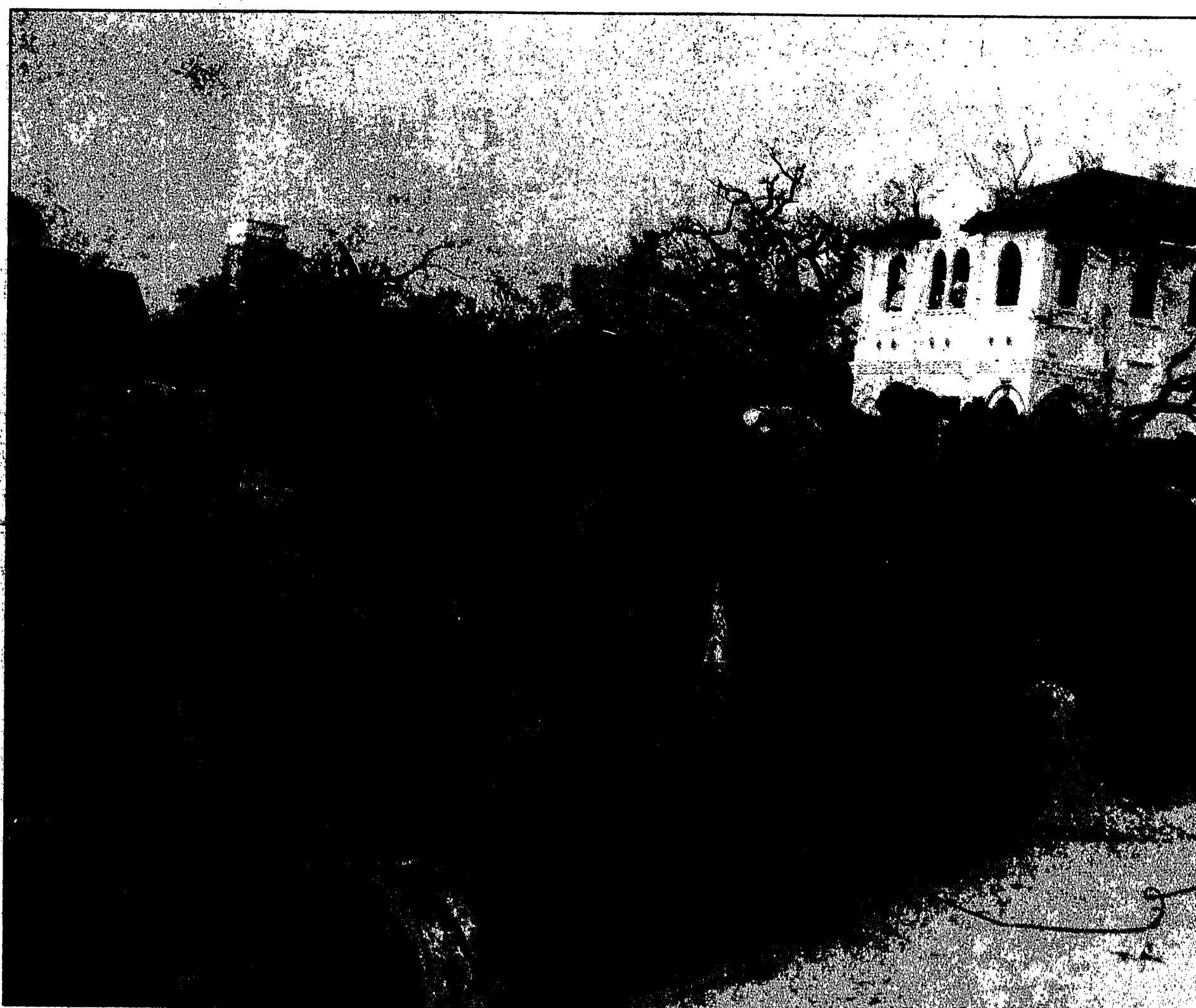
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Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre and Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo say there's a brighter future ahead for their cities in 2006, despite the devastation wrought by Hurricane Katrina on Aug. 29, 2005.

Longo: 'Waveland is going forward'

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer



Waveland Mayor
Tommy Longo

Waveland was possibly the hardest hit city of any on the Mississippi Gulf Coast by Hurricane Katrina. The "Hospitality City" had an estimated 95 percent of its homes and businesses suffer major or total loss, and several areas of the city

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Coleman Ave. in Waveland on Sept. 2 after Hurricane Katrina.

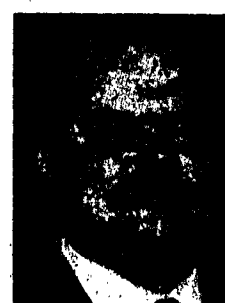


The beach in Bay St. Louis in the days after Hurricane Katrina.

Favre wants Bay to be 'A Place Apart' again

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer

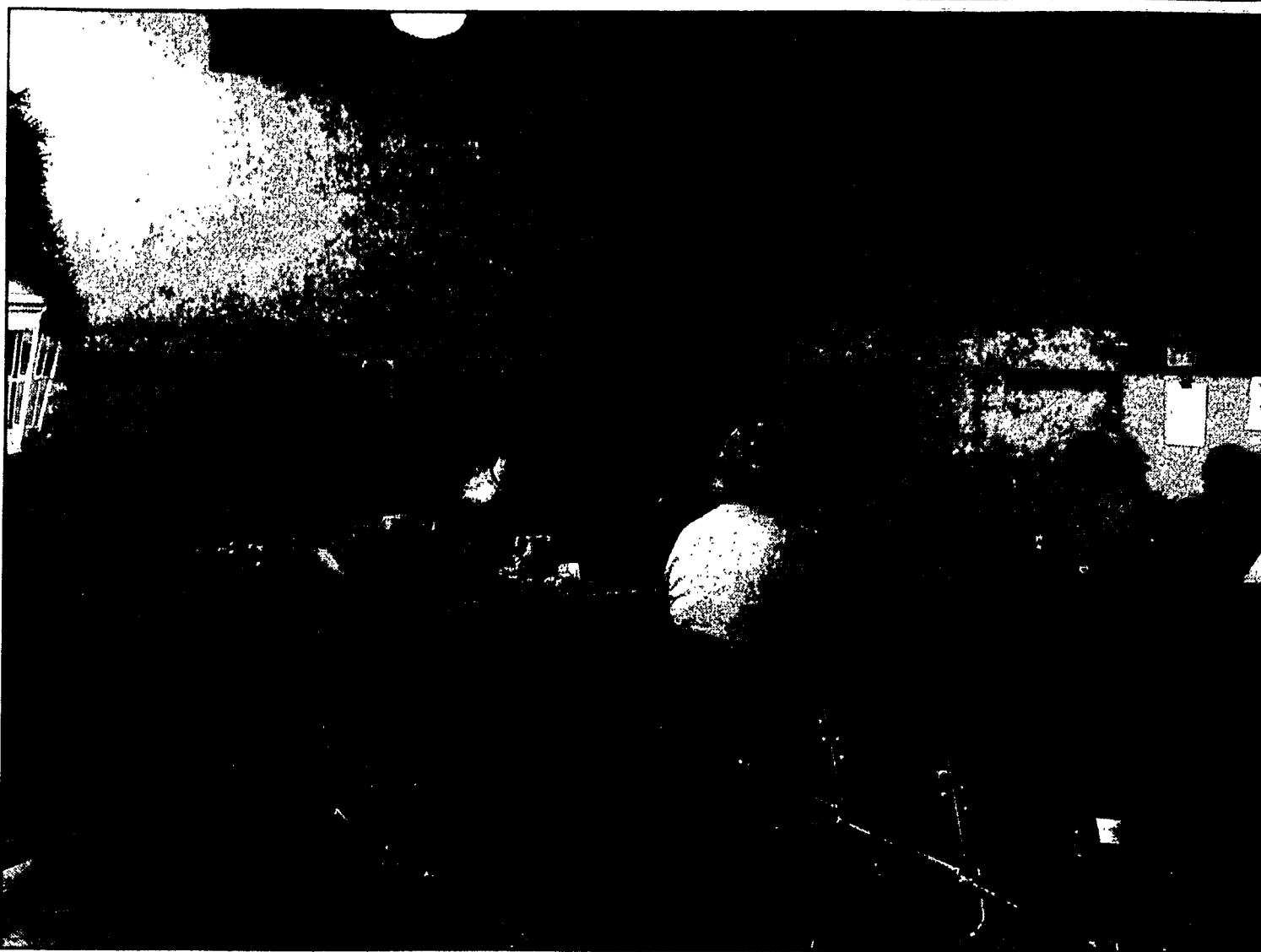
The city of Bay St. Louis is slowly getting off of its knee's since Hurricane Katrina dealt the city a crippling blow on Aug. 29. Mayor Eddie Favre believes that his community has shown the willingness to rebuild and carry on in the face of tragedy, and Favre is opti-



Eddie Favre

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Staff from the Loudoun Medical Group do a steady business at their free clinic at the Bay St. Louis Depot, but will be closing up shop soon. Echo staff photo by Dwayne Bremer

Free clinic closing, but new 'Katrina Medicaid' to help

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer

The free medical clinic that has been in service for three months at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot will be shutting its doors on Saturday, Dec. 31.

The Loudoun Medical Group from Leesburg Va. has operated the free clinic since a week after Katrina struck the Gulf Coast. The clinic as seen as many as 100 patients per day, as a number of doctors and nurses have rotated from Virginia to Bay St. Louis.

"We do not want to leave, but the hospital officials and doctors have told us that they can handle the patients here," said Dr. Carolyn of the Loudoun group. "My only concern is for the people that do not have any insurance."

In a statement dated Dec. 22, the Loudoun group said that it has been a privilege and honor to have served the people of Hancock County. The group stated that they had gotten reassurance from Hancock Medical Center as well as a number of physicians and staff that they were capable of assuming all medical care for patients previously served by the clinic.

"The local physicians and Hancock Medical are well prepared to handle to members of the community," said Dr. James Crittenden. "We have always been here, and we always will. I think Hancock Medical has really stepped up with bringing doctors in and getting things going again."

The major question that is of concern to patients and local leaders is not whether the hospital can handle the number of patients, but rather are the patients without medical insurance going to continue to receive free service.

"I don't see why the clinic needs to close," said Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre. "The Loudoun group has been

a blessing to this community, and there is still a huge need here. I think they could take care of minor problems without putting a burden on the rest of the doctors in town. I understand more than anyone that we need to restart our local economy, but not at the cost of our citizens. I just think that certain doctors are being very selfish and narrow minded with this. I did not see Wal-Mart getting upset because people were giving out free clothes and groceries."

Favre estimates that as many as 50 percent of Bay St. Louis residents may not have insurance at this time.

People who attend the clinic have also voiced the concerns. Susan Romain said that she went to the clinic because she could not afford emergency room fees in Gulfport.

"We have no insurance because my husband lost his job," Romain said. "What good are doctors without insurance. It's so depressing, here we have people that want to help, and they are asked to leave. I just don't know what to do."

Hospital officials and doctors say that fears are understandable, but nobody will go without medical care.

"The Loudoun group did a great service to the community, but it was always understood that it was just to fill a gap," said Janet McQueen of Hancock Medical Center. "We have had weekly meetings with all of the volunteer groups, and there has been a collaborative effort by all parties to get things back to normal. Hancock Medical has never turned anyone

away, and there are programs in place such as the Katrina Medicaid Plan to assist people without insurance. I believe that this was just a knee-jerk reaction by people who are really sincere."

Under the Katrina Medicaid plan, anyone who lives in the affected area and has income that is less than two and a half times the poverty level can go on temporary Medicaid for up to five months. Pregnant women who are on the plan will receive benefits for the entire term.

McQueen said that Costal Family Health, which saw many low-income patients will be reopening on Jan. 3, 2006.

Crittenden said that most will qualify for the Katrina Medicaid, but people need to fill out the proper paperwork before it's too late.

"One thing that the clinic was not doing is signing people up for the Katrina Medicaid," Crittenden said. "I think that they just did not know about it, but it is very important that people understand that they can get this help. Nobody is going to be left out when it comes to medical treatment."

Crittenden believes that doctors in the community are making a commitment to the community by staying.

"Without the people the community will die," Crittenden said. "We opened up two days after the storm in a tent, and we saw people for free for a long time. This community is going to need the hospital for the future. The doctors that are staying here could go somewhere and make

money, but they want to be here. It's going to be hard to recruit doctors here for the next few years, and the longer that we keep clinics open then the harder it will be to keep doctors here. Myself I doubt that I will make any money in the next two years, but I have been here since 1983, and I am not going anywhere."

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High Times in Hancock



Drugs seized by the Hancock Sheriff's Department's Narcotics Task Force earlier this week.

Drug Busts continue; Karl blames complacent drug users

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer

Hancock County Narcotics Director Matt Karl believes that people are not taking law enforcement seriously, and that many drug users are getting caught because they just do not think there are any police to bust them.

"We have seen an increase in the number of possession cases," Karl said. "My feeling is that people feel it is safer to carry their drugs around with them, since law enforcement has been doing other things since the storm."

Karl pointed to the more than 20 felony drug arrests by the Hancock County Narcotics Division in the past three

weeks.

"People have FEMA money and nowhere to spend it. The drugs have always been there, but now, I think that it is becoming more open," Karl said.

Karl warns drug users that his Narcotics Team is fully staffed, and working aggressively to combat the drug problem in Hancock County.

"Narcotics is running full time. The patrol officers know what to look for, and we will be enforcing all aspects of the law," Karl said.

Karl reported two more arrests this week.

On Dec. 28, officer Tim Campbell responded to a domestic violence call on Shiyou Rd. in Kiln. Upon arriving, Campbell saw that the

suspect, Nicholas Joseph Shiyou, 21, had fled the scene. Campbell found Shiyou hiding in the woods, and when Campbell returned to the scene, drug paraphernalia was in clear view, Karl said. Campbell got consent to search the FEMA trailer, and more than three and a half ounces of marijuana was recovered. Shiyou was arrested, and charged with possession of a controlled substance. He is being held under no bond.

On Dec. 29, Deputy Brian Cuevas stopped a vehicle on Hwy. 43. Upon search of the vehicle, Cuevas and Deputy A.J. Gambino discovered an amount of crack cocaine, Karl said. Shirley Marlene Poole,

51 years old, from Picayune, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance.

When Poole reached the arrest station, Narcotics Investigator Abe Long discovered more crack cocaine after a second search of the vehicle, Karl said.

Arrest Record

Editor's note: The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock county Justice Facility from Dec. 23-28. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

STAFF REPORT

Charles Kleinpeter, 18 - Public drunk, disorderly conduct

Darlene Gwin, 25 - Simple assault domestic, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct

Theresa Carlin, 51 - DUI 2nd, no insurance, no driver's license

Alex Nunnez, 18 - DUI, contributing to a minor

Catigha Carter, 25 - Domestic violence

Calvin Haskin, 32 - Domestic violence

Corey Bourgeois, 25 - Assault on police officer, disorderly conduct

Martin Tangris, 46 -

Public drunk, disorderly conduct

Willie Nicholson, 33 - Disorderly conduct

Debra Hamric, 51 - Simple assault

Roger Hall, 30 - Suspended driver's license

Danny Puge, Jr., 20 - Burglary

Ian Christopher Wangert, 31 - Possession of a controlled substance

Jamie Henry, 44 - Possession of a controlled substance

John Bartet, 31 - Public drunk, simple possession of marijuana

Perry Barnes, 48 - Suspended driver's license

Dennis Lee, 43 - Disturbing the peace

Jeffrey Hunter, 39 - Grand larceny

Sylvester Robinson, 42 - Grand larceny

Pedro Rivas, 41 - Expired tag, DUI 2nd, careless driving

Jeremy Carroll, 27 -

Resisting arrest, domestic violence

Chris Smith, 27 - Assault on police officer, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest

Robert Sizer, 29 - Assault on police officer, disorderly conduct, hit and run, resisting arrest

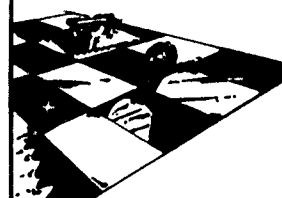
Nicholas Shiyou, 21 - Possession of a controlled substance

Oscar McCall, 28 - Domestic violence

Shirley Poole, 51 - Possession of a controlled substance, careless driving, possession of paraphernalia

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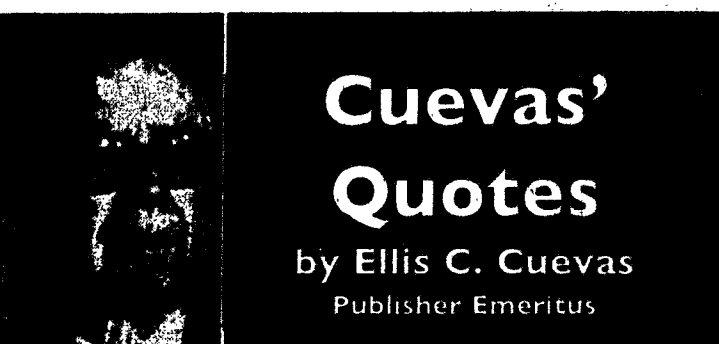
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Hoping for a better year

A new jail for Hancock County may be one of the things to come in 2006.

Not only a new jail, but a new location.

When the current Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility was built there was tremendous opposition to moving the jail out of Bay St. Louis.

The opposition was so great that a bond issue would have failed by a large margin.

Hurricane Katrina has made many folks change their attitudes as well as the new expansion of the City of Bay St. Louis by annexation.

It was really a battle to get a bond issue passed for the new jail and it took a very strong jail committee along with numerous supporters to pass that bond issue.

There are a lot of changes on the horizon for our communities and in all probability, 2006 will bring the most for this county. Our Sheriff's Office and jail is a very busy place and as our county rebounds will become busier.

I am sure there will be some folks making New Year's resolutions, and I have a feeling that number one on the list of many will be evacuate when threatened by a hurricane.

I have never evacuated before, but will now if a serious threat comes.

It now sounds that the Kiln area is a prime location for a new jail.

This should be a quiet New Year's Eve in Bay St. Louis and Waveland with the ban on fireworks.

Since Katrina there is so many of our trees which have been killed in addition to the grass.

Fireworks for sure could be very dangerous with the conditions as they are now in the area.

Here's hoping for the best for everyone in 2006.

The last four months of 2005 have been strenuous on us all. Hopefully many will be in a new or renovated home by the end of 2006.

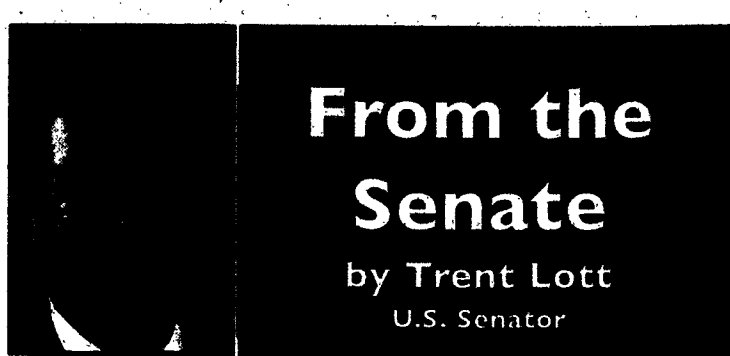
Happy New Year to every one of you.

A Big Step Forward For MS

Just as the Congress was adjourning for the year, I brokered a deal to enable final passage of a tax cut and incentive bill targeted specifically toward getting people back home and back to work in 40 Mississippi counties devastated by Hurricane Katrina. In fact, it provides \$6 billion in total tax incentives for the Gulf Coast designed to help businesses rebuild, local governments restore services, and individuals to find decent housing.

For Businesses: This package is primarily weighted toward businesses because the best way to help people rebuild their lives and homes is by creating job opportunities. To get jobs, there has to be a healthy business environment.

To obtain that good business climate, we have established a unique zone throughout the hurricane-stricken Gulf, appropriately called the "Gulf Opportunity Zone" or "GO Zone." In this region - which basically includes the bottom half of Mississippi and southern portions of our neighboring states - businesses can take advantage of unique tax incentives exclusive to our area.



From the Senate

by Trent Lott
U.S. Senator

By significantly lowering the cost of capital for businesses of all sizes, businesses will be encouraged to reinvest in the Mississippi Gulf Coast. For example, GO Zone businesses will be permitted to expense 50 percent of the cost of new equipment. In addition, the bill allows businesses to deduct up to \$200,000 of the cost of property used in their enterprises. This, too, can help with the cost of rebuilding businesses.

This legislation further encourages new businesses to consider the coast and South Mississippi. It provides \$1 billion in New Markets Tax Credits for companies investing in Mississippi businesses and construction. It stipulates that 50 percent of demolition and cleanup costs would be deductible by businesses.

And, for folks in the Pine Belt, it doubles reforestation expensing deductions to \$20,000. In addition, small timber owners may elect a five-year carryback of net operating losses occurring after August 27, 2005, and before 2007.

This Katrina relief initiative provides a 40 percent employee retention credit for wages paid up to \$6,000 after August 28, 2005, and through December 31, 2005. This provision encourages businesses that have had to close temporarily to continue employing Mississippians until they can reopen. This credit already applied to a number of small employers. Now it applies to all businesses.

For Local Governments: The bill also applies to cash-strapped state and local governments struggling to stay afloat in Katrina's wake. This package increases the amount of tax-exempt bonds which

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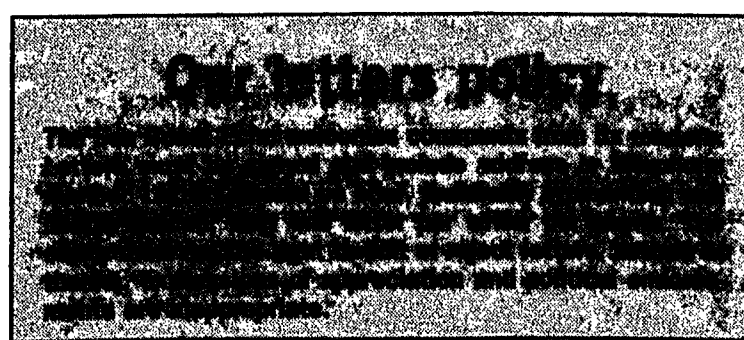


Mississippians should be praised

Dear Friends and Family:

I've never written one of these holiday letters before (don't they all begin with that disclaimer?) so it's a bit hard to begin. And awkward, seeing as how I have some confessions that I didn't think I'd make while still working as a journalist.

But after two trips to this ravaged region, I want to tell you what I've seen, what I've really seen, and how it has touched me in ways that covering no other story has. So indulge me if you will for a few hundred



words on this eve of one of the holiest days on most calendars in this part of the world.

I had never been to the South before October. And other than a fleeting fantasy or two over the years about Mardi Gras, I can't particularly remember wanting to come. To me, it was the land of

fried okra, Civil War buffs and lyrical knife fights between Neil Young and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

But Katrina came with devastation of such magnitude that MSNBC.com decided to devote considerable resources to reporting the comeback - or not - of Bay St.

Louis, Waveland and Hancock County. I arrived with photojournalist Jim Seida on Oct. 18 as one of the first of many rotating teams the Web site would send to tell the stories.

Even then, more than six weeks after Katrina had struck, the ruin was so vast and fresh that it looked as if the storm had roared through the day before.

The destruction never surprised me.

I mean that with all humility. I have not experienced a hurricane

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We wish you a Happy New Year!

I feel that there is a rule somewhere that if a person doesn't send an end-of-year newsletter that that person has had a bad, or much worse, a dull year. I don't want people to have that impression of Stella and I and so I have written a sort of generic annual newsletter that we are sending out this New year. Here it is:

Seasons greetings to (name from computer Newsletter list # 3)! We hope you've had a good year. As usual, ours was fabulous!

As you have undoubtedly heard, Stella has taken up hang gliding and, except for the incident with the helicopter, has done extremely well. We feel strongly that the insurance companies will get it all straightened out fairly soon.

To be honest, it was the ducks that we really feel badly about. The ducks and, of course, the partial burning of the Waveland City Hall. It still seems to both Stella and I that Mayor Longo reacted unfairly.

His office was not even in that part of the building.

I, too, tried hang gliding, but lost interest after the damage I did to our front chimney. The doctor has told me that I probably will not need to have both of my knees replaced and the bricklayers have told us confidentially that the chimney was old and would probably have needed

Views from a Front Porch

by Paul Estronza

replacing anyway. They seemed very nice and after the repair work sent us lovely postcards from their new place in the Bahamas (the bricklayers, not the doctor; his place is in Bermuda).

Stella and I took the first week in May to visit Liechtenstein, Tunisia, Estonia, Iceland, Monaco, the subways of South Central Venice and of course, our yearly favorite, downtown Pittsburgh.

Despite my fluency in Russian, I found that we had language problems in many of these places. People would stop and stare with what I suppose was amazed delight when I began to speak even the simplest Russian phrases. However, we managed to get by these problems using an old Spanish primer that Stella luckily had with her.

In almost every instance, the people, after finding out who we were and how long we were planning to stay, went out of their way to help speed us to the next stop on our exciting travel agenda.

We will repeat the trip next May, only we will do it in reverse. Stella says that this will add a certain zest to the trip as

well as to see if the people are as happy at our coming as they were at our going.

I am ordering a second Spanish primer. I can't begin to tell you how this can be useful when things get difficult. I have found that the mere shouting of "Ole!" in a crowded room clears the air very quickly.

This year Jennie, our dog has managed to patch things up with Holly, our cat. It is really amazing how cute they can be when they play together. Several times, we have looked to the back of the house in time to see Holly flying over the roof as part of Jennie's personal flying lessons. Jennie seems very pleased about Holly's progress so far and has expressed a definite eagerness to continue.

Unfortunately, Holly, who was looking rather peaked from the intensity of the lessons, is spending a few weeks with Dr. Mahler, the kindly veterinarian in the Bay. Holly has sent us several postcards from Dr. Mahler's intensive care wing. These closely resemble bomb threats, but we are sure they were sent in the spirit of fun.

I am sorry to say that

this year I was again passed over by the Noble Prize committee. I'm sure you will agree that there has to have been some error and I have written to them about this. They replied with a very nice form letter printed in Latin with very impressive script lettering. Stella has had it framed and hung in the guest bathroom out back under the oak tree.

We do look forward to the chance of your visiting us this year. In this regard, I should say that things have changed since your last visit. We have floors in most of the rooms and the pesky cattle guard at the front door has been removed since that part of the house has been sealed off altogether. Also most of the rooms now have windows and many of these have either glass or bars.

So, (name to be filled in from computer Xmas list) we wish you the best tidings for the New Year and despite the rather harsh words we've exchanged in the past, Stella and I say a very happy

Ole!!!

(I need your help. I have lost all of my e-mail messages, addresses and phone numbers. If you wish to stay in touch with me, would you please send me your e-mail address and phone number, to laviolette@data-sync.com. If you need to contact me directly, try (724) 459 6808. Thanks and have a happier New Year, Paul))

Lott

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Mississippi can allocate to the GO Zone by almost \$5 billion through 2010.

It also allows advanced refunding of all bonds which will be issued prior to 2007 within the GO Zone. Bottom line: Local cities will be able to restructure their debt, delaying payments on principal and interest until people return and their tax base is re-established.

To Build the Housing Supply: Finally, this legislation includes incentives to ensure an adequate housing supply is re-established. Between 2006 and 2009, Mississippi will be allowed to allocate volumes of additional housing credits – three times the normal application for low-income housing with respect to population.

The bill also provides Mississippians with greater access to mortgage revenue bonds, tax-exempt bonds which state and local governments generally issue through housing finance

agencies. The proceeds from these bonds are used to fund below-market, interest rate mortgages for certain qualifying first-time home buyers. The bill also lifts the first-time homeowner requirements and allows up to \$150,000 in mortgage revenue bond proceeds to be used for repairs through December 31, 2010.

This legislation marks a big step in the right direction for our Katrina recovery needs. It will go a long way toward getting people back to work, getting city services back on line and putting Mississippians back into good, decent housing. When we meet these three challenges, we will be well on our way to full, complete recovery.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attn: Press Office)

DRCs close for holiday

Disaster Recovery Centers throughout Mississippi will close at 6 p.m. Dec. 30, 2005 in observance of the New Year's holiday, and will reopen Jan. 3, 2006 and resume normal hours from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and continue to be closed on Sundays.

People affected by

Hurricane Katrina are urged to register for assistance before visiting a Disaster Recovery Center by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or (TTY) 1-800-462-7585 for the speech-or hearing-impaired or by going online at www.fema.gov. The deadline to apply for disaster assistance is Jan. 11, 2006.



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but I have seen nature's work in the rubble of a tremendous earthquake, the misery of widespread flooding and the awful torrents of a huge volcanic eruption. I have lived long enough to know how small and insignificant we are.

Two months later, in my second tour of duty, things have changed dramatically. The splintered debris of so many homes, scattered endlessly across the neighborhoods of lower Waveland, is slowly giving way to bare, dark earth, scraped clean by Army Corps contractors who seem to be everywhere with their Bobcats and Big Tex trailers. The thwack of nail guns and the whine of Skil saws fill the air all day along Washington Street in Bay St. Louis as one roof after another is repaired.

The vehicles, overturned and left like forgotten toys as far as the eye could see, are mostly gone. The red Chevy pickup on its side over on Second Street and the blue Caddie slowly rusting out on Bourgeois are two familiar exceptions.

The bustle of commerce is everywhere. Wal-Mart has moved from its giant tent into a downsized version of its store to offer pallets of everything from chainsaws to steaks. There's a shiny auto parts store and car wash. You can choose Chinese, Mexican, Italian, seafood, burgers, waffles and more at the restaurants that are up and running. There are plenty of boats at the yacht club and new portable buildings to house the office and bar.

Hubbard's Hardware and 84 Lumber are thick with customers morning, noon and night. Behind the wheels of the ubiquitous trucks and SUVs of contractors and government agents, cell phones sprout from the ear of every driver as they buzz from one meeting to the next.

The destruction never surprised me, but the people were a different story. About them, pushing rules of journalistic neutrality and objectivity aside, I will not beat around the bush. From the moment I first alighted on Waveland soil to shake hands with Pat Ellis in the rubble of her once lovely brick ramblar, to just yesterday afternoon when I watched Geri Bleau weep with joy at her husband Gil's homecoming, I have been amazed.

We hear in tragedies all too frequently that folks "lost everything," but do we often stop to think what that really means? Everything, they lost everything. And do we ever stop to think what we would do if it happened to us? I have, and I tell you, honestly, I don't know.

But I know that whatever I did it wouldn't hold a candle to what Trinh Huynh and Hong Tran have had to do to get their 65-foot shrimp boat back in the water out at Bayou Caddy. Trinh and Hong, who probably each weigh half of what I do, will clearly move mountains to restore order to their flooded Waveland home and keep their children in college.

The same goes for Viren and Mita Patel, who have worked virtually around the clock since Katrina struck to push the Key West Motel on Highway 90 ever closer to full operations. The Waffle House next door is not coming back, but this week the Patels' children did, home from staying with relatives to the east, and the joy in Viren's eyes is unmistakable.

Their stories are the norm here, not the exception. And as people like them go about reclaiming their own lives, their hands seem ever outstretched to others in gestures epitomized by the likes of Pastor Alan Jenkins at First Missionary Baptist Church in Bay St. Louis. His congregation's sanctuary was spared from Katrina's waters, though the homes of many of his parishioners were not, and Jenkins has looked beyond his own church walls from Day One in an effort to build bridges in the community.

The list is, literally, endless. To the cynical critics in our "Comments" section, doubtful about the intentions of so many Katrina victims, come here. Follow Wendy McDonald or Ellis Anderson or Rory MacDowell or Ron Hill or Ernest Taylor around for a day and you will see just how capable the citizenry is of helping its own. Try to get a meeting with Mayor Eddie Favre of Bay St. Louis and you will see that his life is a 24/7 meeting of working on nothing but Katrina issues.

This is what I see, what I really see. And knowing, again from more than a little age and experience, that people are pretty much the same everywhere and that given half a chance we'll generally do what is good and right, or at least try, I am willing to bet that the story is pretty much the same in New Orleans, in Gulfport, in Slidell, in Baton Rouge.

The destruction never surprised me. But the people never failed to amaze me with their strength and hope and hearts so full of love that even the eyes of an aging reporter can well with tears at the most unexpected moments.

To our readers who think we just take up space and get in the way of the far more important work of rebuilding, you have a point. But you may not realize how hard it is sometimes to not be in the story instead of covering it, to not stop asking questions and scribbling answers and just pick up a shovel or a hammer or a spatula and go to work.

Alas, I am merely here to observe and note in the small ways I can what has happened and how these towns will or will not move on. But thinking of George Bailey in the old Frank Capra standard that will light so many TV screens tonight, I believe just now that what I'd really rather do is put the notebook down and lasso the moon for each and every one of these brave and wonderful souls.

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basically do not exist anymore. Amid all of the destruction, Mayor Tommy Longo still sees the his city as a beautiful place, and one that will rebuild and overcome.

"Our future is bright, and we will be back," Longo said Wednesday. "Time is not our ally, but things are going steady. I think that as the people come back, it will only get better. Waveland is going forward."

Longo said that prior to Katrina the city was looking forward to doing major upgrades and improvements to the city. The city had gotten federal and state money to complete projects vital to the community.

"We had secured over \$20 million in grants for the city," Longo said. "This was icing on the cake. We were excited that we were going to do a lot of things for the city. Our goal was to make the city better, lower insurance rates, and raise property values."

The funds that the city had secured came in handy after Katrina — so far, the city has not had many budget problems.

"Thank god we had all of those grants, as well as our cash reserves. We kept the city running, and we have begun the rebuilding process," Longo said. "We are watching our dollars, but we have made every pay-

roll, and even hired some more employees."

Waveland has seen a steady number of people return to the city, as Longo reported that more than 2,000 building permits have been issued for the city. Business is slowly coming back, and Longo says he is excited about new business coming to the city.

"We are going to lose some business, but some of them were looking for reasons to leave anyways," Longo said. "We have the new Lowe's store, and other big business coming to Waveland. Our sales tax has gone up steadily since September, and we are looking for more places to open soon."

Longo believes that the city will soon begin the lighting project for Hwy. 90 as well as beach restoration, although no specific time table was given. Longo also believes that Coleman Avenue will start to see business rebuild in a few months.

Another encouraging sign is that there are plenty of new people moving to Waveland, and property values are holding steady.

"The property values took a dip right after the storm, but now they are a little higher than before," Longo said. "We have seen a steady number of people want to move

here and invest in the future of the community."

With all of the recovery efforts going on, Longo wants residents to know that Waveland is not going to lose its identity, and the city plans to continue with traditional events.

"The Krewe of Nereids is planning to roll with their annual parade, and plans are in the works for WaveFest 2006," Longo said. "Waveland has always been about family fun, and that will continue."

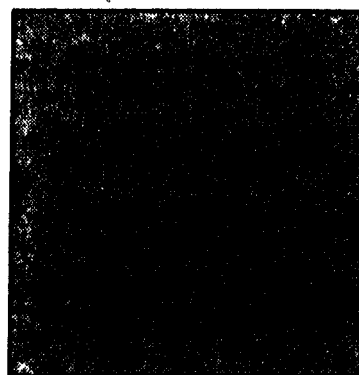
A major issue in the city is the status of the residents south of the rail road tracks. Residents have expressed displeasure with slow debris removal, and lack of temporary housing. Longo said things are getting better.

"Folks are getting their FEMA trailers now, and the Corps has stepped up the debris removal with the Right of Entry Program. We are much more pleased now than before. We had a heart to heart talk with them a few weeks ago," Longo said.

The idea of merging the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland is something that Longo believes is already happening to a certain extent, but not necessary in the long run.

"We have always com-

bined our resources such as waste disposal, law enforcement and fire, and public works, and I hope that we can keep doing that," Longo said. "I think the idea of merging just to do it is not really an advantage. I think people still want to keep their identity."



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Trailer Chic



Bay St. Louis resident Charles Gray lost his home to Hurricane Katrina and is now living in a FEMA trailer on the slab of his former beach front house. In fact, the small, box-like trailers now occupy many sites where large, beautiful, historic and often expensive houses once stood. In spite of the hardships caused by the storm, Gray has maintained his sense of humor. "I just love my FEMA trailer," he says. "It's very comfortable and I am very grateful to have it. If it wasn't for my FEMA trailer, I guess I would be sleeping in the back seat of my Rolls."

Hope Haven to reopen in '06

Hope Haven, the local non profit shelter for abused and neglected children, will reopen at the beginning of February according to Terry Latham, Director of the shelter.

Although the shelter flooded to a height of six feet, all necessary major repairs have been made and only minor repairs will be necessary to have the shelter home fully operational.

"We lost our onsite office and office space in the Youth Court so for the next year we will operate our business office out of my spare bedroom," commented Latham. "You just do what needs to be done."

11 out of 12 of the Hope Haven staff lost their homes so the shelter will operate under a slightly different staffing model when it reopens. Instead of having two or three staff members working three 8 hour shifts the shelter will move to a more efficient and stable "house parent" model which is used by most of the other shelters across the State.

Latham stated that contrary to some rumors that are going around, nothing else will change in the basic operations of Hope Haven except for this difference. "It is not true that we have given the property to the Department of Human Services and that they are going to run it as a foster home. We will continue to operate the home, staff it, pay for all the utilities, insurance, upkeep and provide all for all of the needs for the children who stay in the house. We will pay for their personal needs, food, cloth-

ing, tutoring, school supplies, medical and dental needs and counseling when they cannot wait for appointments under MEDICAID.

We were looking at moving to the house parent care model before the hurricane hit as it was getting difficult to find the 10 staff members we needed under the shift system. Additionally, the costs of having that many employees increased every year and it was costing us more for insurance premiums on our auto insurance and liability policies. Now we don't really have a choice. Our employees are scattered and there is no where for them to live even if they wanted to come back. Additionally, the broad base of financial support that we enjoyed before the hurricane has largely disappeared along with the homes and businesses of many of our supporters so we have to be very careful with every dollar we receive. This change will save us around \$100,000 per year in salary costs. To save even more money we have let our full time book keeper go and contracted her duties out via a local CPA firm.

The plan is for Hope Haven to advertise and hire a local couple or family in January and move the family into the shelter home by the first week of February. After the background checks and drug test are complete and the house parents receive the required training and certificate from the Department of Human Services (which should take about a month), the shelter will

reopen its doors in March to once again serve children who have suffered physical or sexual abuse or have been severely neglected.

Margie Toups, Board President, stated that the organization is applying for any and all grants and for help outside the local area "Because we know how badly hurt our local friends and supporters were by Katrina. Eight out of twelve of our Board members lost their homes and businesses, as well so we know what everyone is going through. Our Director and Shelter Manager, were the only two employees we kept and both of the voluntarily took a cut in pay in spite of them working every day since the hurricane to bring Hope Haven back from the brink of destruction.

"We believe that we will need outside help for the next three years before our local donor base recovers. We still need every local donor that can help as well as help from others outside Katrina Land as it is critical that we reopen our shelter as soon as possible! The incidence of child abuse and neglect skyrockets about six months after events such as Katrina. Families are stress and children are displaced and living in places and with people they don't usually live with and they are more vulnerable and exposed to inappropriate behaviors and activities."

Hope Haven has received recent help from many agencies, non profits, businesses churches and individuals since Katrina which

Latham credits with the organizations rapid recovery. The organization welcomes support at this time in the forms of cash and gift cards.

They also accept donations of property, automobiles, stocks and bonds and other types of non cash gifts with all contributions being tax deductible. For more information on Hope Haven visit their web page at hopehavenshelter.org or contact their Director at 228 255 5241 or cell at 228 263 7945. Hope Haven is a member of the United Way of South Mississippi, the MS. Center For Non Profits, MS. Association of Child Care Agencies, GuideStar, the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce and is licensed by the State of MS. as a charitable organization.

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Obituaries

JIMMY LEE CLUCK GRADY LADNER SR. RODNEY SAUCIER CLIFTON SESSIONS ROBERT SHIPLEY

JIMMY LEE CLUCK
Jimmy Lee Cluck, 73 of Hattiesburg, MS died on Friday, December 23, 2005 in Gulfport, MS. He has lived in South MS for the past forty years. He was a member of the Rawls Springs Baptist Church in Hattiesburg, MS. Jimmy was a sportsman that enjoyed fishing.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Melissa Cluck.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Jo Cluck of Hattiesburg, MS; his children, Tommy Garrard of Hattiesburg, MS, Jimmy W. Cluck of Cape Girardeau, MO, Ricky Cluck of Hattiesburg, MS, Phil Cluck of Malden, MO, Cindy Malone of Bay St. Louis, MS, and Lisa Ishee of Mobile, AL; brother, R.C. Cluck of Malden, MO; and four sisters, Barbara Muller of St. Louis, MO, Alice Cluck of Malden, MO, Anne Jones of Malden, MO, and Frankie Edwards of Hattiesburg, MS; 9 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and numerous nieces & nephews.

A private family service to be held at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS was in charge.

GRADY LADNER SR.
Grady Joseph Ladner, Sr., 63 of Picayune, MS, died Thursday, December 29, 2005 in Crosby Hospital, Picayune, MS.

He was a native of New Orleans, LA. He was a member of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by parents, Edgar M. Ladner, Sr. and Annie Mae Bergeron Ladner and also by one brother

Larry Ladner and half brother Edgar M. Ladner.

He is survived by wife; Marsha Schneider LeCfnez; of Picayune, MS; 2 sons: Grady Ladner, Jr. and Charles "Chuck" Ladner, both of Picayune, MS; 1 Stepson: Leroy Templet of Picayune, MS, and 1 Daughter: Virginia Ladner Lewis of Picayune, MS; 1 Brother: Richie Ladner of Metairie, LA; and 5 Grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, January 1, 2006 from 6-9 p.m. in the McDonald Funeral Home and also on Monday, January 2, 2006 from 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral services in St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Picayune, MS. Burial will be in the Bayou Caddy Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, MS.

McDonald Funeral Home, Picayune is in charge of the arrangements.

RODNEY SAUCIER

Rodney Saucier, age 44 and a resident of Kiln, died Sunday, December 25, 2005.

Mr. Saucier, an airbrush artist, was a native of Poplarville and a lifelong resident of the MS Gulf Coast.

Survivors include his parents, Clifton and Janice Saucier; brothers, C.J. Saucier and Dale Saucier, all of Kiln; sisters, Diana Saucier, of Kiln; and Peggy Luke, of Lizana; nieces, nephews, and one great-nephew.

Visitation will be at the family residence at 26910 Standard-Dedeaux Road, Kiln, today, Friday, December 30, 2005, beginning at 4:00 p.m. A graveside service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, December 31, in Standard-Sand Hill Cemetery in Kiln.

Riemann Memorial Funeral Home, Hwy 49 North in Gulfport, is in charge of arrangements.

CLIFTON SESSIONS

Clifton Farr Sessions, 74, of Biloxi, Mississippi, died December 24th of complications from Parkinson's Disease. He was a native of Bolton, Mississippi, a 1955 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, and led a distinguished career in journalism and public relations.

Mr. Sessions was on the front lines of civil rights reporting as a correspondent and Bureau Manager of the Jackson, Mississippi office of United Press International from 1957-1964.

Mr. Sessions broke the story of James Meredith's historic application to "Ole Miss," covered freedom rider campaigns, and the Mack Charles Parker lynching in Poplarville. He also reported the assassination of his friend, civil rights leader Medgar Evers.

He left Mississippi in 1964 to cover politics as a Washington correspondent.

Mr. Sessions used his communications skills as Director of Public Information for the Justice Department from 1966-1969. As chief media spokesperson, he advised the Attorney General, arranged media events, wrote and edited speeches, and represented the Department following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

He co-founded and served as Managing Editor of "The National Journal"; was the Executive Director of Communications for the American Bankers Association; and served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs a Health, Education and Welfare under Secretaries Califano and Harris.

Before retiring to Biloxi, he was Manager of Corporate Issues at General Foods in White Plains, New York for ten

years. Mr. Sessions was listed in "Who's Who in America", which profiles the country's most noteworthy men and women.

Mr. Sessions was preceded in death by his sister, Daisy-Belle Lincoln, and is survived by his brother Valentine, his wife of 54 years, Shirley, son Steve, daughter Carol Riordan, son-in-law Will Riordan, and grandsons Connor Clifton and Finn Joseph.

There will be a private family ceremony. Donations to the National Parkinson's Foundation (www.parkinson.org) are encouraged.

Riemann Funeral Home, Biloxi, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

An online register book may be viewed and signed via riemannfuneralhomes.com

ROBERT SHIPLEY

Robert Henry "Swampy" Shipley, 69 of Bay St. Louis, MS died on Thursday, December 29, 2005 in Gulfport, MS. He was a resident of Hancock County for the past 30 years. He worked for Hancock County and was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church where he enjoyed working as a volunteer. Swampy also loved to dance.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Mary Lucille Shipley.

He is survived by his brother, Charles Shipley of Baltimore, MD and sister, Shirley Lehnen of Lakeshore, MS.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 from 9:00 am until 11:00 am at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Clermont Harbor, MS. A Mass of Christian burial will be at 11:00 am. Interment will follow in Lakeshore Cemetery in Lakeshore, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

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Flooding is the most costly natural disaster in Mississippi (and in the U.S.). The state has more than 5.2 million miles of floodplain (one of every

six acres) and about 25 percent of all flood damage occurs outside of mapped floodplains.

Yet, approximately only one out of 15 Mississippi homeowners have purchased flood insurance, which in Mississippi averages only \$450 per year.

Unfortunately, many home and business owners don't discover that their homeowner's insurance policies do not cover flood damage until after a flood has occurred. FEMA hopes that the ICC coverage will help encourage more property owners without flood insurance to buy now.

In order to buy flood insurance the property must be located in a community participating in the NFIP. To participate, a community must adopt and enforce sound floodplain management. This primarily means that participating communities require building stan-

dards to exceed the base flood elevations adopted by that community.

Currently, 274 Mississippi communities participate in the NFIP.

Flood damage is reduced by nearly \$1 billion a year through communities implementing sound floodplain management. The claims from the 2005 hurricane season are projected to exceed \$23 billion nationwide.

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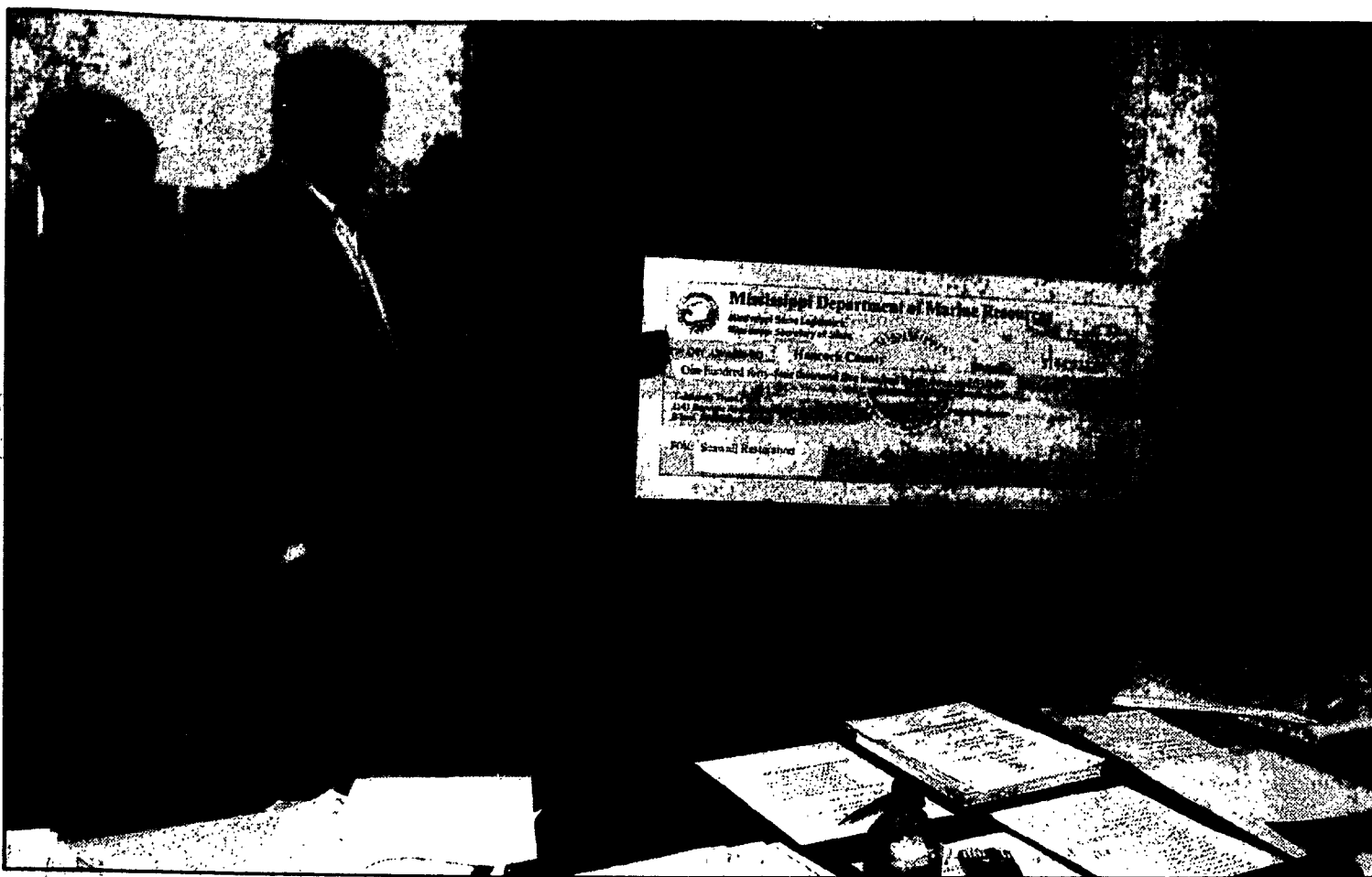
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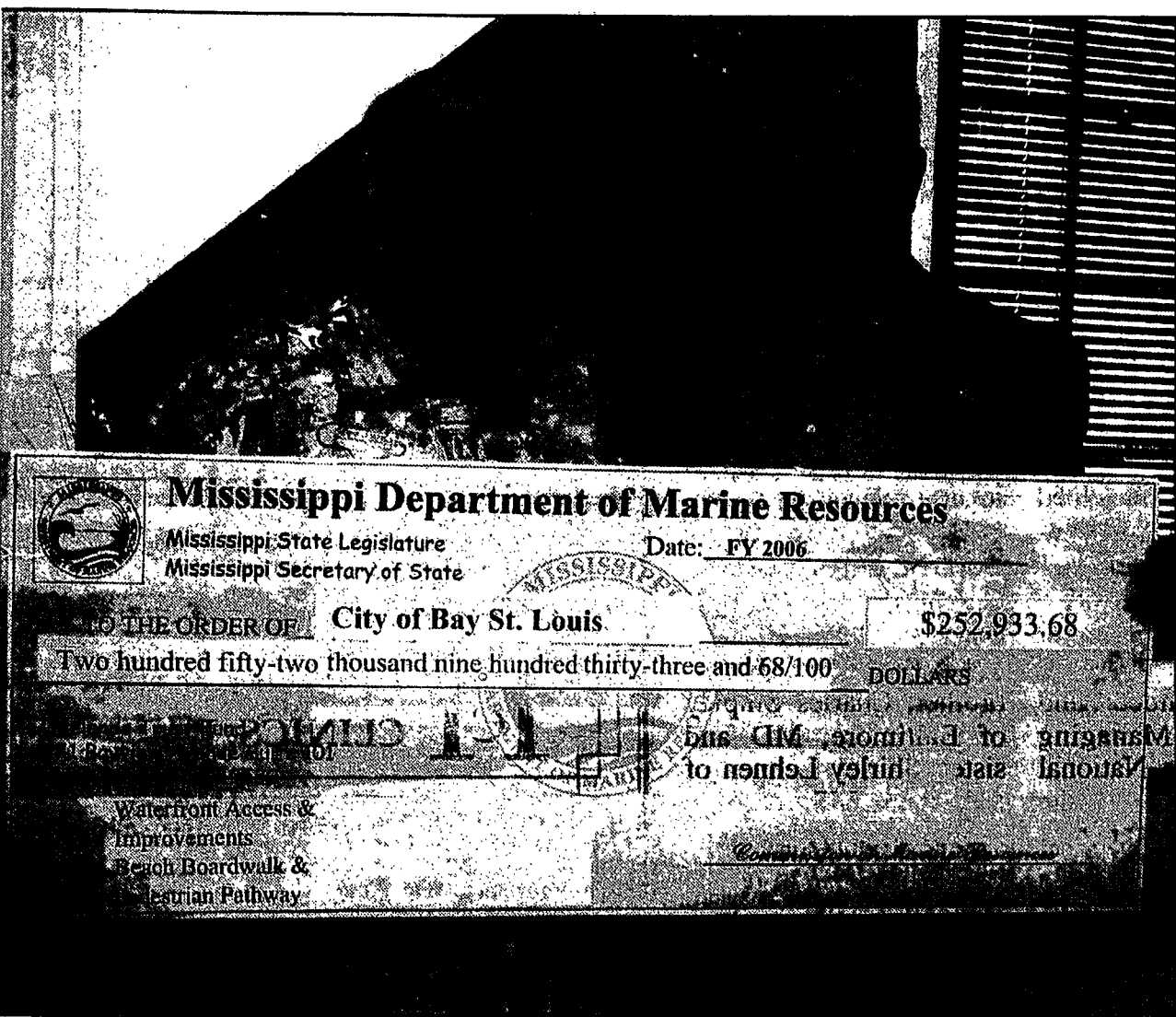
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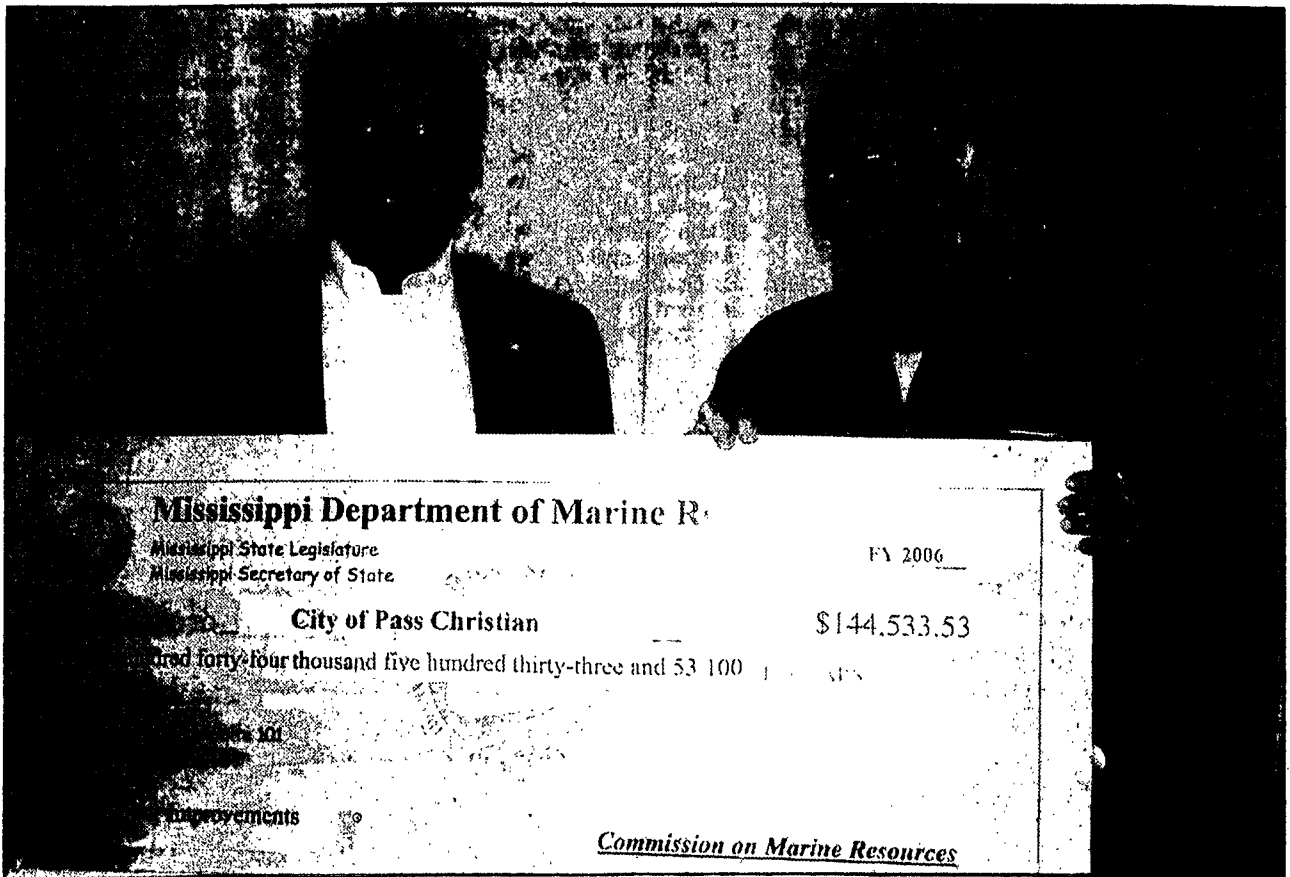
The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) presents the Hancock Board of Supervisors with a FY2006 Tidelands grant for \$144,533.53 for Seawall Restoration at the Hancock County Board of Supervisors meeting held on Dec. 13. Pictures are board attorney Ronald J. Artigues, Jr., left, DMR Chief of Staff Joe Ziegler, Supervisor Lisa Cowand, Supervisor Steve Seymour, Supervisor Rocky Pullman, Supervisor Jay Cuevas and Commission on Marine Resources member Oliver Sahuque.



(From left, Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre and DMR Chief of Staff Joe Ziegler.) The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) presents the city of Bay St. Louis with a FY2006 Tidelands grant for \$252,933.68 for Waterfront Access and Improvements and the Beach Boardwalk and Pedestrian Pathway on Dec. 28.



From left, Ron Calcagno, David Garcia, Ricky Geoffrey, Mayor Tommy Longo, DMR Chief of Staff Joe Ziegler and Mike Smith.) The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) presents the City of Waveland with a FY2006 Tidelands grant for \$180,666.92 for the Beach Boulevard Pedestrian Pathway and Waveland Pier on Dec. 16.



From left, DMR Chief of Staff Joe Ziegler and Pass Christian Mayor Billy McDonald.) The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) presents the city of Pass Christian with a FY2006 Tidelands grant for \$144,533.53 for Harbor Improvements on Dec. 13.

Returning home after the storm

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NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF WAVELAND

Effective 2/28/06, the City of Waveland will be charging regular fees for residential building permits related to rebuilding/refurbishing homes and/or property. Residential building permit fees are already in effect for new additions to structures/residences, or new residences being built. Note: Commercial building permit fees have been in effect for some time. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call 228-466-2549

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH MARTIN KING, DECEASED

ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF FILED JOSEPH MARTIN KING Cause No. C2301-05-638 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 30th day of November, 2005, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of JOSEPH MARTIN KING, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of this Court for probate and registration according to the law, and within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice or they shall be forever barred, by law.

This the 1st day of December, 2005.

TOMMY SHANE KING, ADMINISTRATOR
J. Bryan Vonder Bruegge
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Mississippi Bar No. 100470
1117 Washington Avenue
Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39564
Telephone (228) 872-9022
Facsimile (228) 872-9822
Post Office Box 1255
Long Beach, Mississippi 39560
Telephone (228) 864-7443
Facsimile (228) 864-7479
12/11; 12/18; 12/25/05; 01/01/06

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOREEN J. HELMS, DECEASED

No. C2301-05-742(3)

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary on the Estate of Doreen J. Helms, Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi on the 3rd day of November, 2005, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim. This the 23rd day of November, 2005.

Darwin M. Helms, Executor
12/11; 12/18; 12/25/05

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BILLIE STEWART CAIMI, a/k/a BILLIE S. CAIMI, a/k/a ANN B. CAIMI, a/k/a BILLIE ANN CAIMI, DECEASED

SUE C. JOHNSTON, PETITIONER

CAUSE NO. C2301-05-760(1)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION upon the Estate of BILLIE STEWART CAIMI having been granted unto SUE C. JOHNSTON on the 22nd day of November, 2005, by the Chancery Court for Hancock County, Mississippi, Notice is hereby given requiring all persons having claims against the Estate of Billie Stewart Caimi, to have same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court for the First Judicial District of Harrison County, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and failure to probate and register such claims against the Estate of Billie Stewart Caimi within ninety (90) days, will bar any claim.

SUE C. JOHNSTON, Administratrix of the Estate of Billie Stewart Caimi
JIM DAVIS
MSB No. 5830
1904 24th Ave.
Gulfport, MS 39501
Phone: (228) 864-1588
Fax: (228) 863-5008
12/11; 12/18; 12/25/05; 01/01/06

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE OSTEEN TRIM, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. C2301-05-722(3)

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of August, 2005, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of George Osteen Trim, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. THIS 5 day of December, A. D., 2005.

S/ GEORGE LARRY TRIM
12/11; 12/18; 12/25/05

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA P. MCGINNIS, DECEASED

C.A. NO. C2301-05-783(2)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO THE CREDITORS OF PATRICIA P. MCGINNIS, DECEASED:

Letters of Administration having been granted by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 9th day of December, A.D., 2005, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Patricia P. McGinnis, deceased, in Civil Action No. C2301-05-783(2) notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this notice to creditors. A failure to probate and register claims within said time will operate to forever bar such said claims.

THIS, the 9th day of December, A.D., 2005.

CASEY PATRICK POWERS MCGINNIS, Administrator of the Estate of Patricia P. McGinnis, Deceased
12/17; 12/24; 12/31/05

LEGAL NOTICE

To DEIRDRE JOHNSON: You are summoned to appear before the Mississippi Board of Nursing on February 1, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. to answer charges brought against you. The hearing will be held in the hearing room at the office of the Mississippi Board of Nursing, which is located at 1935 Lakeland Drive, Suite B, Jackson, Mississippi. Failure to appear may result in the revocation of your nursing license.

Signed: Delia Y. Owens
Executive Director
Mississippi Board of Nursing.
12/17; 12/24; 12/31/05

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

OF GEORGE A. KALTENBACH, DECEASED NO. C2301-05-716(1)

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 12th day of December, 2005, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of George A. Kaltenbach, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. This 15 day of December, 2005.

Barbara S. Brinkman, Administratrix
David Michael Necaise
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 2036
Bay St. Louis, MS 39521
12/17; 12/24; 12/31/05

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

ETALS, DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. C2301-05-790 (3)

PUBLICATION SUMMONS IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable right, title or interest in and to the following described land located in Hancock County, Mississippi, whose identities and last known places of residence, street address, and post office addresses are and remain unknown after diligent search and inquiry:

Lot 28, Block 6, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Unit 6, Hancock County, Mississippi. Tax Parcel Number 067M-1-35-242.

You have been made defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Thomas L. Sandidge, Jr., Plaintiff, whose address is c/o David M. Necaise, Esq., 904 Dunbar Avenue, P.O. Box 2036, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

The complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title. You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the complaint; and, in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to David M. Necaise, Esq., complainant's attorney, whose address is 904 Dunbar Avenue, P.O. Box 2036, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 17th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2005, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER

IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

WITNESS my signature and official seal this the 15 day of December, 2005.

(SEAL)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,
Chancery Clerk
BY: Lorrinell Scarborough
12/17; 12/24; 12/31/2005

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on December 29; 1994, Joseph C. Keller, III and Tammy K. Keller, executed a certain deed of trust to David Michael Necaise, Sr., Trustee for the benefit of William Joe Smith and Linda Jo Smith, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 423, at pages 447-453, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi, and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, William Joe Smith and Linda Jo Smith having requested the undersigned Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Michael Necaise, Sr., Trustee in said deed of trust, will on the 9th day of January, 2006, offer for sale and will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the East front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated and lying in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Parcel 1: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 20, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds West 20.0 feet for the point of beginning; thence West 604.10 feet; thence North 04 degrees West 1,811.45 feet; thence North 13 degrees 40 minutes 52 seconds East 445.35 feet; thence North 86 degrees 25 minutes 11 seconds East 741.91 feet; thence South 08 degrees 04 minutes 08 seconds East 1,066.40 feet; thence South 84 degrees 36 minutes 22 seconds West 270.49 feet; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds East 1,204.83 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. This parcel containing 39.31 acres and being a part of the following: Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; and part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; all in Section 20, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

Parcel 2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, section 20, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds West 20.0 feet for the point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds West 1,204.83 feet; thence North 84 degrees 36 minutes 22 seconds East 270.49 feet; thence North 86 degrees 25 minutes 11 seconds East 741.91 feet; thence South 08 degrees 04 minutes 08 seconds East 1,066.40 feet; thence South 84 degrees 36 minutes 22 seconds West 270.49 feet; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds East 1,204.83 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. This parcel containing 24.66 acres and being a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, section 20, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

Parcel 3: An easement only to the previously described real property. Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 20, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds East 98.78 feet for the point of beginning; thence North 84 degrees 36 minutes 22 seconds East 270.49 feet; thence North 86 degrees 25 minutes 11 seconds East 1,066.40 feet, more or less, to a point on the West margin of a public road; thence South 16 degrees 21 minutes West along said margin 24.23

feet; thence South 86 degrees 17 minutes 34 seconds West 486.07 feet; thence South 85 degrees 16 minutes West 870.48 feet; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 18 seconds West 32.86 feet to the point of beginning. This easement being a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 20; and part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 20, all in Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 13th day of December, 2005.

David Michael Necaise Sr.
TRUSTEE
12/17; 12/24; 12/31/2005; 01/07/2006

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HAZEL WHITE, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. C2301-05-807(1)

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK

TO: ALL BORN, KNOWN, ABSENT OR UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF HAZEL WHITE

You have been made a respondent in the Petition to Determine Heirs filed within the Court by Karen Zahniser, seeking a judicial determination of the rightful heirs at law of Hazel White, Deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 24th day of January, 2006, at the Harrison County Chancery Courthouse, in Biloxi, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the things demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THIS COURT, this the 9 day of December, 2005.

(SEAL)
Timothy A. Keller, Chancery Clerk
Post Office Box 550
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521
BY: D. L. Lee, D.C.
12/17; 12/24; 12/31/05

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. C2301-05-728(3)

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 25th day of August, 2005, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned executrix of the will and estate of Gino Scialdone, deceased, in Cause No. C2301-05-728(3), notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This the 20th day of December, 2005.

Maggie S. Dannreuther, Executrix
12/24; 12/31/2005; 01/07/2006

CAUSE NO.: C2301-05-731

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA CLARE ALLISON, DECEASED

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 25th day of August, 2005, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Patricia Clare Allison, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. THIS 19 day of December A.D., 2005.

S/S ROSALIE J. PARRINO
12/24; 12/31/2005; 01/07/2006

Diamondhead Fire Protection District Unaudited Statement of Revenue and Expenses

October 2004 through September 2005

Oct '04 - Sep '05

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
CPR Income	25.00
Donations	1,050.00
Fire fees	865,485.86
Garbage fees	826.23
Grant	17,976.00
Interest	5,114.95
Late fees	5,032.50
Nst fees	

Money

75.00	
Tax millage	207,781.11
Total	1,103,446.65
Expense	
Commissioner	2,040.00
CPR Expenses	30.00
Dues and Subscriptions	1,416.00
Gas and Oil	3,398.18
Hurricane Katrina	4,510.19
Insurance	22,348.68
Interest	14,835.96
New Fire Station	133.08
Office Expense	12,275.06
Payroll Expenses	827,693.01
Professional Fees	16,011.92
Repairs	11,730.73
Small Equipment Purcha...	22,611.31
Supplies	12,514.42
Training Expense	3,358.29
Uniforms	561.22
Utilities	13,457.01
Total Expense	968,925.06
Net Ordinary Income	134,521.59
Other Income/Expense	
Other Expense	
Debt Service/Capital Exp.	60,000.00
Total Other Expense	60,000.00
Net Other Income	60,000.00
Net Income	74,521.59
12/24; 12/31/05	

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given by Mike Pernicari Mini Storage, Faith Street, Waveland, MS, will sell on January 23, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. the following belongings in unit:

#16 Andrea Dedeaux, 425 Sycamore St., Bay St. Louis, MS.

#17 Lisa Grannin, 103 W. Bayview St., Pass Christian, MS.

#19 Denise Walton, 809 Kyle Circle, Waveland, MS 39576.

#23 Nellie Bell, 510 St. Francis St., Bay St. Louis, MS.

#6 Kim Pernicari, Bay Park Apts., Longfellow Dr, Bay St. Louis, MS.

#38 Mrs. Philip Schaffer, 513 E. Scenic Dr., Pass Christian, MS.

Mike Pernicari Mini Storage
12/28; 12/31/05

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

CHRISTOPHER LUNSFORD AND BRANDY LUNSFORD PLAINTIFFS

VERSUS

PATRICK K. DEJEAN, IF LIVING, THE HEIRS-AT-LAW AND/OR BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICK K. DEJEAN, IF DECEASED; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ATTORNEY GENERAL JIM HOOD; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; THE HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; CHANCERY CLERK TIMOTHY A. KELLAR; DISTRICT ATTORNEY CONO CARANNA; AND TO ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST, INCLUDING ALL LEGAL AND EQUITABLE CLAIMS, IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND, SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 27, 2001, viz: LOT 5, BLOCK 3, UNIT 8, DIAMONDHEAD, PHASE I, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. C2301-05-856 (3)

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: Patrick DeJean, if living, the heir-at-law and/or beneficiaries of the Estate of Patrick K. DeJean, if Deceased, Jim Hood, Attorney General; Hancock County, Board of Supervisors; Cono Caranna, District Attorney; and all persons having or claiming a legal or equitable interest in Lot 5, Block 3, Unit 8, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase I, a subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi

NOTICE

This is a suit by CHRISTOPHER LUNSFORD AND BRANDY LUNSFORD to confirm their title in that certain property described above, and as more fully set out in the Complaint for Confirmation of Title which is on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi in the above case number. If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this property, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Confirm Title within

thirty (30) days from the 31 day of December, 2005 which is the date of first publication of this summons, to the attorney for the Plaintiffs, J. Bryan Vonder Bruegge, Esq., whose address is 808 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. OTHERWISE, IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A RESPONSE, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons. The address of the Clerk of this Court is P.O. Box 550, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi (SEAL)
By: D.L. Lee
Deputy Clerk
12/31/05; 01/07; 01/14/06

MISSISSIPPI ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL OFFICE

PO BOX 540
MADISON, MS 39110-0540
601-856-1301

We, the officers of Waveland Discount Wine & Liquor, Inc., intend to make application for: a Package retailer permit as provided for by the Local Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws, Section 67-1-1, et seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. If granted such permit, We propose to operate as a corporation under the trade name of Waveland Discount Wine & Liquor, Inc., located at 457 Hwy. 90, Waveland of Hancock County.

The name(s), title(s) and address(es) of the owner(s)/partners/corporate officer(s) and/or majority stockholder(s) of the above named business are

Victoria S. Becker, President, 530 Eplanade, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

This the 27 day of December, 2005

12/31/05; 01/07/06

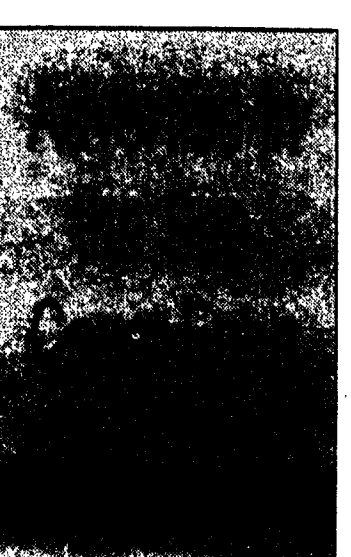
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR A VARIANCE AND FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE HANCOCK COUNTY ZONING MAP

A public hearing will be held before the Hancock County Planning Commission on Thursday, January 19, 2006, at 5:10 p.m. at the Civic Center Complex on Longfellow Road, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to consider the application of David Malley for a variance to allow a lot for a variance of seventy-five (75) feet instead of the required one hundred (100) feet and a lot area of less than the required twenty thousand (20,000) square feet for a parcel of land at 1108 Schoenfeld Road in the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 14 West, which is zoned A-1.

A public hearing will be held before the Hancock County Planning Commission on Thursday, January 19, 2006, at 5:20 p.m. at the Civic Center Complex on Longfellow Road, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to consider the application of Capitol Investments, LLC, for an amendment to the Hancock County Zoning Map to change the zoning classification of a 175 acre parcel of land bounded on the North by Jordan River, on the East by Jordan River Road, on the South by Nineteenth Street and on the West by Lazy River Road and Breath Bayou from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to a Waterfront Special Use District for a mixed residential and commercial development. The property is identified on the Hancock County Tax Map as Parcel No. 135Q-0-39-001.

Those interested in more information on the above matters may visit the Zoning Office or call (228) 463-7120 or (228) 467-4157 during regular business hours, which are from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

James M. Lagasse
Hancock County Building Official
December 30, 2005
12/31/2005



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PUBLISHER'S NOTICE: All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination, call HUD toll free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

3 PIECE KING DBL pillow top mattress set. Never opened, sell \$225.00. Can deliver. 228-234-0999. 12/31

A NEW FULL SIZE mattress set, never opened, \$130.00. Can deliver. 228-234-0999. 12/31

NASA MEMORY FORM queen size mattress set, still in plastic, 20yr. warranty. Must sell \$650.00. Can deliver. 228-234-0999. 12/31

NEW QUEEN PILLOW top mattress set never opened, \$145.00. Can deliver. 228-234-0999. 12/31

BLAZE ELECTRIC Local business, 25 years experience, licensed and bonded, 228-467-0609. 12/31

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is now accepting applications for Diesel or Heavy Mechanic needed for Hancock County. Two (2) openings available

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WE PREFER: Experienced Technicians Must Bring Own Tools

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Call for Directions
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(228) 466-4320

ALLIED WASTE

is now accepting applications for Roll Off Drivers for Hancock County.

QUALIFICATIONS: Knowledge of demolition construction. Work out doors in all weather conditions. Have valid CDL Class A or B with air brakes endorsement required. Able to pass DOT physical & drug screen as verified by a current MVR/driver abstract, must meet all qualifications as define DOT regulation 49 CFR 383.51. Must meet Allied Waste Driver Qualification Standards.

- We offer:**
- Advancement opportunities
 - Competitive Wages
 - Excellent benefits package
 - 401K Plan
 - Paid vacations & personal days

Applications accepted Monday thru Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm
Call 800-443-6563 or 228-392-5108 for directions EEOE (M/F/D/V)

HR/BENEFITS COORDINATOR for established Bay St Louis company. Proficient in Word/Excel. Payroll experience a plus. Min. 2 years, benefits/HR experience required. HR Dept., P.O. Box 4101, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521. TFN

100% OWNER-FINANCING. Will also finance water connection and septic system fees. White Cypress Lakes. Beautiful lots from 1 acre to 30 acres, waterfront available, mobile homes allowed in certain areas and great fishing. Ten miles east of I-59, Carriere exit. Thirty miles from Bay St. Louis. 228-255-1790. 01/28

DUMPTRUCK AND TRACTOR SERVICE. All types of dirt, grading, leveling, limestone. Driveways build and repaired. 228-216-5566, 228-216-5567 or 466-5657. TFN

SERVICES OFFERED: Local resident for framing, remodeling, deck and porches, additions, sheetrock work. Very reasonable prices. Call 228-342-1350. 12/31

HOUSE FOR SALE: 1013 Breeden Place off 3rd St., BSL. As is or will complete. Call Carl Heitzmann. 228-467-4594. TFN

SERVICES OFFERED: Hancock resident for hire. Tree cutting, debris removal, house gutting, pressure washing, personal items recovery, reasonable prices. Please call Mike McColley 228-263-0467. 12/31

WILL PICK UP your flooded vehicle at no cost. Call 228-305-0711. 01/04

LAWN CARE: 30 years experience, limited openings, some light cleanup. Service available in Bay & Diamondhead area. Call Michael Green, 228-467-4491, leave message. 02/02

SPOT WELDING SERVICE mobile unit, no job to small, 467-1920 or 228-324-8270. 01/07

WALLEY CONSTRUCTION LLC: Clean outs, roofing, general construction. Licensed, bonded, insured. 601-270-3016 or 601-238-2512. 01/11

BEAUTIFUL HOME on beautiful street with gorgeous backyard. Approx. 2195 sq.ft., 30x20 work shop. 3Br/2-1/2Ba, B.S.L., completely renovated, \$275,000. Won't last long! 547-2802 Mike. 12/31

FOR SALE 213 Corinth Dr., B.S.L., new roof, as is, \$80,000. 228-323-6863. TFN

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6.5 ACRES prime property with double wide, as is, no flood area, Kiln, 228-896-3861. 12/31

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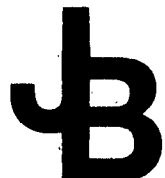
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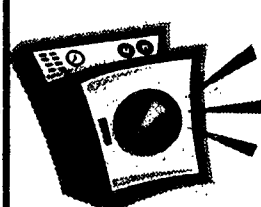
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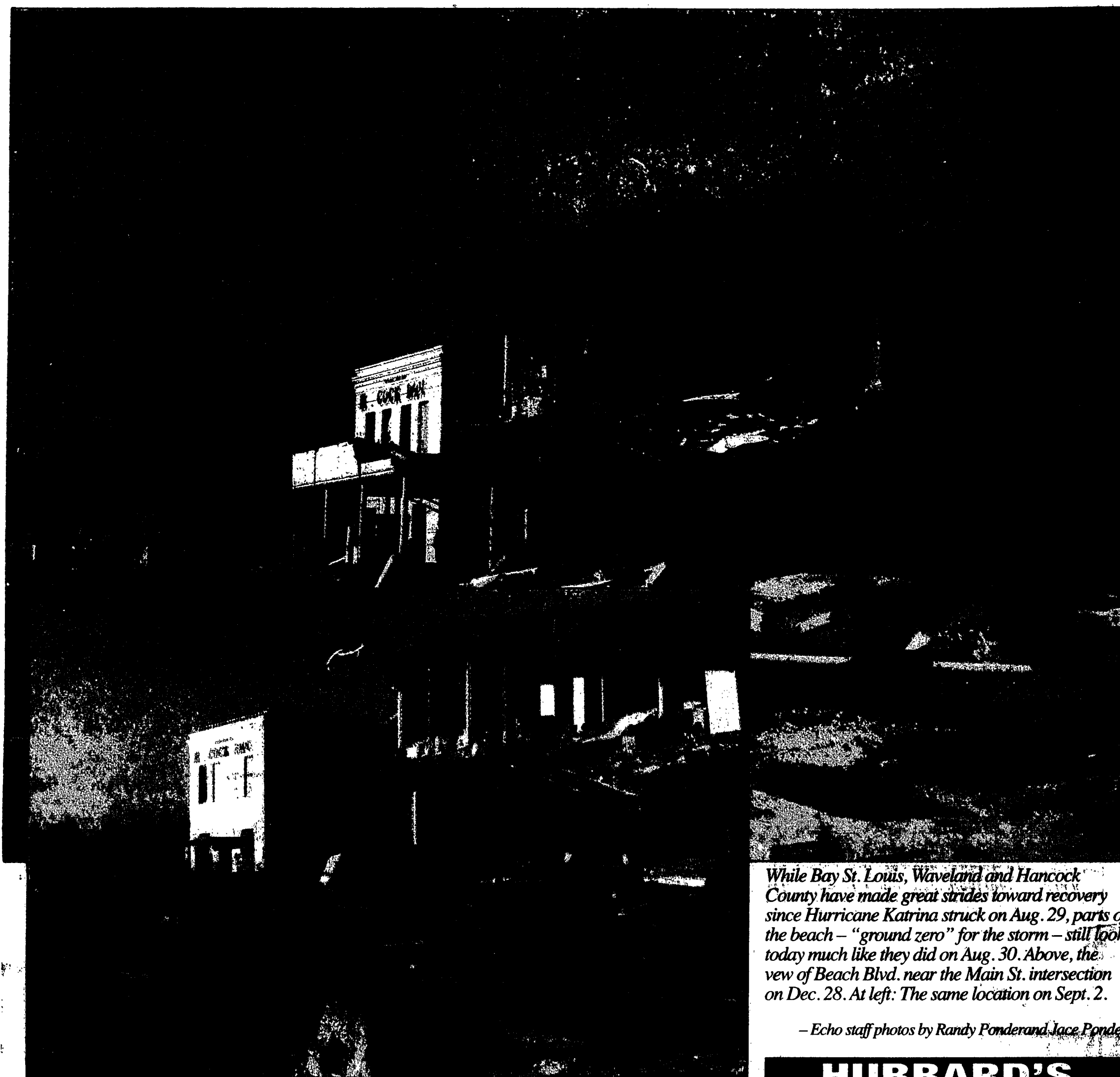
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Four months later ...



While Bay St. Louis, Waveland and Hancock County have made great strides toward recovery since Hurricane Katrina struck on Aug. 29, parts of the beach — "ground zero" for the storm — still look today much like they did on Aug. 30. Above, the view of Beach Blvd. near the Main St. intersection on Dec. 28. At left: The same location on Sept. 2.

— Echo staff photos by Randy Ponder and Jace Ponder

Bay -- A Place Apart

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mistic about the future of his city.

"We are so proud of the people here," Favre said. "You just don't see the griping and negative attitude that other places have had. Our people have tried to help their neighbors and themselves, they have rolled up their sleeves and made us all proud."

The city has seen so many changes since Katrina that one would be hard pressed to remember any of the issues prior to the storm. Twelve months ago, the city was in the middle of the annexation battle with Waveland. The city was embarking on a drainage and street paving project on Main St., and the upcoming city elections were the talk of the town. While some issues have been resolved, many were compounded by the effects of Katrina.

"Everything was going fine with the city, everything started off so promising, and we had high hopes in what 2005 was going to bring," Favre said.

The devastation of Hurricane Katrina in the city of Bay St. Louis was something right out of Hollywood, but this was

real. Seventy-five percent of homes in the city were either destroyed or sustained major damage, thus destroying the city's tax base. The beach front from St. Charles St. to Cedar Point was wiped out, and just about every business in the city was forced to close — many are still not open.

As time slowly went by, the recovery efforts have brought hope to the city. Favre points to the 2,500 building permits that the city has issued since the storm as a sign of hope and rebuilding.

"The vast majority of people are coming back," Favre said. "The people is what made Bay St. Louis a place apart, and I think our ultimate goal has to be to bring everyone back."

Favre believes that the city will begin to see more improvement soon, as several projects are set to get underway in January 2006.

"We will be getting a temporary beach front road from Ballentine St. to Citizen St. This is going to begin in two or three weeks," Favre said. "The Hwy. 90 lighting project will be getting underway as well." Favre said that when permanent construction begins

along the beach front, the road will be wider, and allow for more parking and recreation room.

Favre said that construction on the Bay St. Louis bridge will also start, and by January 2007, Favre hopes that at least two lanes of the bridge will be open. Favre said that the plans are already set, and that MDOT is the agency that will be in charge of the construction of the bridge.

"The bridge will give us several features that we want, including a lane for walking, bike riding, and even fishing," Favre said. "Fishing was always a part of the Bay Bridge, and we wanted to bring that back."

Casino Magic, which is a major source of tax revenue for the city is also expected to be open soon.

"I have spoken with the people from the Magic, and they have been working hard on getting it open. They are looking at early- to mid-summer to reopen in the existing structure, and eventually they are coming onshore," Favre said.

Two major questions about the future of the city are whether the city will be able to handle the

recently annexed area along the Hwy. 603 corridor and whether the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland will merge into one city.

"The annexation is going to be very difficult, we make no bones about it," Favre said. "However, we made a commitment to those people, and I think that the area needs our services now more than ever. With everyone's assistance we will make it work. As far as the idea of the two cities merging, I have no problem with it, if it would benefit both of the cities. I would hope that politics does not get in the way of what is best for the people."

Favre said that for the two cities to merge a vote by both of the city councils would be needed, and there may need to be some legislation done.

As for what the future holds, Favre is optimistic about what his community can do.

"We are headed in the right direction, our people still love this town," Favre said. "We have the right mix to grow, and still keep our identity. There is a lot of work to do, but keeping this community together is our top priority."

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